



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Nobuyoshi HAGIUDA et al.

Application No.: 10/663,810

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Docket No.: 117198

For: FLASH APPARATUS AND AUXILIARY BATTERY APPARATUS

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> EXTENSION  
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND  
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired March 22, 2004, an extension of time for a period of 1 month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 153373 in the amount of \$110.00 in payment for:

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